

programme was submitted by the Archbishop of Canterbury and which reached us by the last mail. This programme had been prepared by himself and some others whose assistance he had sought, and it was intended that it might be varied by amendments, but, that no absolutely new matter should be introduced. It has been severely criticised as meagre, and it will be observed that *Natal* has no place in it. On the 19th, 20th and 23rd, all the Colonial Bishops met to consider the programme so far as it regarded them, and they prepared certain modifications and suggestions, so as to avoid needless discussion at the conference. The Bishop of New Zealand was the President, and afterward represented the whole body in the Synod. On the 24th, seventy-five Bishops united in the celebration of the Holy Communion, at which the Primate was the celebrant, assisted by the Archbishops of Armagh and Dublin, and the Bishop of Montreal. At the conference, on one side of the Primate, were the Archbishop of Dublin and the three Colonial Metropolitans; on the other, the Archbishop of Armagh, the presiding Bishop of the United States and the Primus of Scotland. The Bishops sat daily from 11.30 to 5.30. At present we have not a full report of the deliberations, but we learn that a letter has been addressed to the members of the church throughout the world, and which we are led to expect by the next mail; it is confidently stated that it will commend itself to all and be deemed worthy of the occasion.

A committee has been formed to consider how the *Natal* scandal is to be removed, and besides this the conference declared its acquiescence in the advice given by convocation respecting the election of a new Bishop, which will probably lead to Butler's acceptance of the office. On the 27th there was a public meeting in St. James' Hall, for the purpose of greeting the American Bishops.

On the 28th the conference was closed with the celebration of the Holy Communion in Lambeth Church. Throughout the session special services were held in several of the churches, especially at St. Lawrence Jewry, at which crowds of worshippers attended, and the whole proceedings have created a deep and solemn interest among churchmen, and notwithstanding the taunts and sneers of the *Times* and the *Record*, must produce a wide and lasting influence. Much business has been submitted to committees who are to report to another meeting to be convened before the conclusion of the year.

The Archbishop expresses his entire satisfaction with the result of the Synod, and his grateful acknowledgment of the sanctity and charity of its proceedings.

## Notes and Notices.

D. C. S.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee, will be held on Friday, October 18th.

The Secretary acknowledges the following error in the 29th Report: *Yarmouth list* — Rev J. R. Campbell should be \$5 not \$2.

The Rev. Canon Gilpin, Secretary of the D. C. S., will be very thankful to any one who will send him a copy of the Seventh Annual Report of the Society.

### TO THE CLERGY.

It having been notified that His Excellency Sir Fenwick Williams will relinquish the Government of Nova Scotia, and embark for England on the 24th inst., I have thought it would be an acceptable service to my brethren of the Clergy, to express the grateful sense we entertain of the deep and constant interest manifested by him in the work of the Church, and the liberal support he has contributed to the Missionary and Collegiate Institutions. For this purpose, I venture to invite the Clergy in and about Halifax to meet and agree upon an Address, at the Cathedral Chapter Room, on Thursday the 17th inst., at half-past four o'clock.

Thursday, 3rd Octr.

WILLIAM BULLOCK,  
Dean and Com'y.